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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

The International Preliminary Examination Report (IPER) for the corresponding international application (PCT/US00/12710) was not mailed until February 13, 2002, well after the Applicant filed the above noted national phase Application pursuant to 35 USC 371 (371 application) on November 9, 2001. Accordingly, it appears that the following papers that were part of the PCT application were not made part of the 371 application:

- Article 19 amendments filed on January 5, 2001;
- Article 34 amendments filed on February 6, 2001;
- Article 34 amendments filed on April 7, 2001;
- Response to August 3, 2001 Written Opinion filed on August 28, 2001; and
- IPER with Annexes mailed February 13, 2002 (A copy enclosed for convenience).

The "Notice of Acceptance of Application Under 35 U.S.C. 371 and 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495" does not list these papers and the "Filing Receipt" only indicates 37 claims, which is the number of claims originally filed with the PCT application. Applicant requests that all of the amendments referred to above become part of the 371 application now that the IPER has been

completed. Authorization to charge Applicant's deposit account for any unpaid claims is attached.

In the IPER, the Examiner considered claims 1-29, 31-33, 38-52, 54-57, 62-67, 78-85, 89, 90, 92-103, 109, and 114-116 to meet the novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability criteria set out in PCT Article 33(1)-(4). The Applicant has amended the current 371 application so that only the claims that meet the criteria of PCT Article 33(1)-(4) are pending. In the amendment, applicant has numbered the claims consecutively for ease, as detailed in the below table.

The following table summarizes the changes to the claims

PCT Claims (as	371 Claims	Comments		
pending for				
IPER)				
1-29	117-145	Renumbered		
31-33	146-148	Renumbered		
34-37	N/A	Canceled		
38-52	149-163	Renumbered		
54-57	164-167	Renumbered		
58-61	N/A	Canceled		
62-67	168-173	Renumbered		
68-77	N/A	Canceled		
78	174	Renumbered and amended into independent form		
·		(combination of 70, 77 and 78)		
79-85	175-181	Renumbered		
86-88	N/A	Canceled		
89, 90	182, 183	Renumbered		
92-103	184-195	Renumbered		
104-108	N/A	Canceled		
109 196 Renumbered		Renumbered and amended into independent form		
		(combination of 104, 108 and 109)		
110-113	N/A	Canceled		
114-116	197-199	Renumbered		